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CHANGES TO ASBESTOS CASE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

The King County Superior Court has adopted changes to the local civil rules and court practices relating to Asbestos cases.

For All Asbestos cases filed in King County on or after August 1, 2011, the Clerk will assign at time of filing a case management judge and a Civil Asbestos Case Schedule, similar in length to the Civil Normal Case Schedule. As with all civil cases, the case management judge may not be the trial judge.

A revised consolidated pretrial style order has been adopted to establish procedures governing the commencement of actions seeking damages for asbestos-related disease and the setting of such actions for trial.

This order and related forms can be found on the Superior Courts website at www.kingcounty.gov/courts/superiorcourt/civil.aspx.

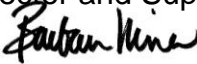
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